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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed April 9, 2001, (hereinafter "Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. The response was initially due July 09, 2001. Applicants herein submit a petition for a one month extension of time to August 09, 2001, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

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The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

- Postcard
- Petition for extension of time
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